

House Resolution 582

By: Representatives Cantrell of the 22nd, Jasperse of the 11th, Jones of the 47th, Thomas of the 21st, Carson of the 46th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of Mr. Roger William Cavender and dedicating a road in his memory; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put
4 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the
5 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Roger William Cavender served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and
7 liberty with the United States Army during World War II; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Cavender valiantly and courageously stormed the beaches of Normandy
9 and fought in the Battle of the Bulge; and

10 WHEREAS, he demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and a
11 willingness to sacrifice his own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being of his
12 fellow man; and

13 WHEREAS, his service was recognized with numerous medals, including the Bronze Star,
14 and after being wounded by shrapnel, Mr. Cavender declined the Purple Heart because he
15 was afraid his family would worry about his injuries; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Cavender was a dedicated husband and father and was chairman of the
17 building committee for Fairview Baptist Church when the church was being rebuilt; and

18 WHEREAS, his selfless service to this nation and unyielding commitment to protecting the
19 people and ideals of the United States will long be remembered and appreciated; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Cavender embodied the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in
21 something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable
22 and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in his memory.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
24 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the portion of State Route 372 from Ball Ground Highway
25 to Interstate 575 in Cherokee and Pickens counties is dedicated as the Roger W. Cavender
26 Memorial Highway.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
28 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Roger W. Cavender Memorial
29 Highway.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
32 family of Mr. Roger William Cavender and to the Department of Transportation.